

March 1 , 2001 - Minutes

Department of Technology Planning

Virginia Geographic Information Network

Virginia Geographic Information Network Advisory Board

Virginia Department of Transportation

Board Room, 3rd floor of the Annex Building

1401 E. Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia

Members Present:	The Honorable John Watkins, Chairman
	Daniel S. Shaffer, Vice Chairman
	Honorable Mary Margret Whipple
	Ken Anderson
	William C. Cleveland
	Mark Kilduff
	Jerry Simonoff
Designee:	Murali Rao for Charles Nottingham
Members Absent:	The Honorable Beverly Sherwood
	The Honorable Watkins M. Abbitt, Jr. Honorable Samuel A. Nixon, Jr. Ken Barker Micheal Clower
	W. Page Cockrell
VGIN Staff:	William D. Shinar, VGIN Division Coordinator
	Bob Rike, VGIN Division Assistant Coordinator
	John McGee, VGIN Division Assistant Coordinator
	Matt Blaes, VGIN Division Assistant Coordinator

The Virginia Geographic Information Network (VGIN) Advisory Board meeting was called to order at 1:45 P.M. by the Honorable John Watkins, Chairman.

Business

The minutes to the January Board meeting were reviewed and approved.

Senator Watkins reported on two pending pieces of legislation that he has introduced:

1) Non - Stock Corporation status for VGIN:

- a. Mr. Shinar stated that VGIN will put together a report with sample models of other states have done in the area of Non-stock corporations.
- b. Mr. Shinar - When the time comes a committee will be formed to write the articles of incorporation.
- c. Senator Watkins - He hopes that the private sector will provide input on this issue.
- d. Murali Rao - Inquired about what the relationship between the VGIN advisory board and the Non-stock corporation board would be.
- e. Senator Watkins - The VGIN Advisory Board will remain as it is. Members of the Advisory Board will not be able sit on the Non-Stock Board.
- f. Dan Schaffer - Expressed concern that the Non-stock legislation is too vague. Also, that there is a fear that VGIN will become similar to Vipnet and become a threat to other private companies. Also, Mr. Shaffer would like his comments noted for the record in the meeting minutes.
- g. Senator Watkins - Said that he will make sure that if VGIN becomes a cost - recovery agency, that it will not compete with private sector companies.
- h. Dan Schaffer - Wants the benefit of cost-recovery to be realized and supports the idea, but just wants to make sure that it's done correctly.

2) Digital Orthophotography Procurement Budget Amendment:

- a. Bill Shinar - This program as proposed will require two years for complete statewide coverage and will support E911 system development in those localities that have not implemented E911 systems.

Coordinators Report

The following activities were reported:

National Digital Orthophotography Program Report - Review of the USGS DOQQ program.

Imagery Options Study - A review of all remotely sensed imagery options available.

GIS Day - Feb 7th. GIS demonstrations from state agencies, localities and PDC's and reception at the Legislative Assembly Building

Metadata Status Report

Sotech GIS Status Report

Status of Grant work

Natural Resources Workgroup Status

Crime Analysis Project Status

SPOT satellite imagery purchase

Virtual State Users Group

VGIN Intern Positions

VGIN Office Move

Other Discussions

Ken Anderson - Stated that he wants to make sure that enough time is devoted to discuss the issues at hand.

Dan Shaffer - What exactly is the goal of the Crime Analysis Project?

Bill Shinar - Ultimately, to develop a pilot project, but more importantly to write a paper that identifies the issues and potential roadblocks involved in implementing a statewide crime incident reporting and mapping.

New Business

Murali Rao - Announced the GIS for Transportation Conference (GIS-T) in Crystal City, VA on April 9th - 11th.

Dan Shaffer - Announced the Environment Virginia Conference on April 4th and 5th in Lexington, VA.

Board Meeting Schedule

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 3rd at 1:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

William D.Shinar
VGIN Division Coordinator

Log of Attendees:

Mindia Brown	VDOF
Patrick Maddox	Terralogic
Phil Bomershein	Competition Council